

WEEK'S NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD

HAPPENINGS OF THE SEVEN
PAST DAYS ARE BRIEFLY
TOLD HERE.

FROM AROUND THE PLANET

Dispatches From Our Own and Foreign Countries Are Here Given
In Short Meter for
Busy Readers.

An arbitration award advanced to some extent the rates of pay of 64,000 locomotive engineers, firemen and hostlers employed on the 140,000 miles of the lines of 35 western railroads in the United States.

Included in the latest list of officers killed at the front is the name of Brigadier General Riddell, commander of the Northumberland fusiliers' brigade.

The body of Hunter Brooke, Jr., 47 years old, a wealthy resident of Garden City, Long Island, and a member of a prominent family, was found in a cemetery at Media, Pa., with a bullet wound in the mouth.

After forcing a neighbor woman to write his will, Harvey Gilgert of Viola, Ill., 30 years old, shot and killed himself in the woman's presence.

The first eight months of operation of the Panama canal has not yielded a profit to the government. From July 1, 1914, to March 1, 1915, the canal showed a loss of \$261,098.

The Panco-Pacific exposition, at San Francisco, will be the objective point of a 10,000-mile cruise of the Annapolis midshipmen this summer.

The Pan-American financial conference will be opened at Washington May 24 with an address of welcome by President Wilson.

Clyde Stover, the negro slayer of the Gardner brothers of Springfield, Mass., has been found guilty of murder in the first degree and sentenced to be hanged.

Sixty-four vessels of the United States navy will take part in the naval review that will be held at New York May 18.

Two labor bills were recommended for passage by the industrial affairs commission of the Illinois house, the McCormick bill, limiting the number of working hours for women to nine, and the Kane bill, providing for one day's rest in every seven.

It is announced that Jesus college, at Oxford, England, has decided to bar alcoholic beverages while the war continues. Similar action has been taken by Oriel.

Ida Bonora, ballet dancer of Milan, Italy, known in private life as Mrs. Mary Lambardi, wife of the grand opera impresario, is dead at Portland, Ore., from poison taken after she learned her husband had dropped dead.

Secretary Houston has started west to visit national forests, to observe to what extent their timber, forage, grazing and water power resources are being developed.

Miss Alexandra Legeray, a member of a Cossack regiment, has been promoted to a lieutenant.

A long series of alleged discriminations against soldiers and sailors at public amusement places in Washington culminated in a police court trial in which the owner of a dancing school was fined \$10 because he refused to admit a trooper in uniform from Fort Myer.

Geraldine Farrar of the Metropolitan opera company has signed a contract to act for motion picture versions of some operas in which she has sung.

Two firemen were seriously injured and nine others overcome by smoke when the St. Paul (Minn.) public library practically was destroyed by fire.

The United States army transport Buford has left for Colon with 413 passengers, all officers and men of the army.

A dry nation by 1920 was the prediction of Oliver W. Stewart, former member of the Illinois legislature, who closed the campaign of the flying squadron in Hannibal, Mo., with an address before 2,500 persons.

Charles Burnham, 45, of Arden, N. Y., was fatally burned when he stumbled against the railing of the steps of his home and ignited a box of matches in his pocket.

At the point of a hat pin Miss Anna Goldsmith, 18, of New York, took two young men to a police station for passing remarks about her new hat.

The trawler Envy, which was supposed to have been sunk by a German submarine, was brought safely into the Tyne.

Between 50 and 60 persons were injured, several perhaps fatally, when two Lake Shore electric limited cars collided head-on six miles east of Fremont, O.

Abandoning efforts to raise the F-4 with pontoons, Admiral Moore reported from Honolulu that an air hose was to be run from the cruiser Maryland into the submarine in hopes of replacing the water in the vessel with air and thus bringing the craft to the surface.

Clarence A. Blain has invented a submarine which he insists is unsinkable because of certain suitable air ducts.

L. S. Scurlock, traveling agent for a Chicago firm, was shot and instantly killed at his home near Edmondson, Mo., by his son Bedford, 15 years old. The elder man was attacking his wife with a razor when the boy fired the fatal shot.

The Orton district levee on the Red river, in Arkansas, has broken, resulting in the flooding of 10,000 acres.

Theodore Brink, a blacksmith of Dixon, Ill., who was charged with making counterfeit money, was sentenced to 15 years 7890¢. 123456 7 tented to 15 months at Leavenworth, Kan.

Eli E. Gregory, president of the defunct bank of Central City, Ky., has been indicted on 10 counts.

President Wilson took another step in rejuvenating the diplomatic service by signing an executive order which will bar men more than 35 years old from the so-called civil service portion of the corps, which includes secretaries and clerks.

The trawler Union was held up in the North sea by a German torpedo boat and forced to surrender 76 baskets of fish, a result of three days' work. The trawler was then released.

Persistent reports that parts of submarines have been shipped from the United States into Canada are still under investigation.

Chicago policemen are to wear wrist watches—if they care to. The chief said he believed they would be more convenient for uniformed men.

Fred Ellwanger, sole survivor of the Marianna mine disaster of Nov. 28, 1909, in which about 200 men were killed, is dead in a Washington hospital.

Mrs. Thomas Lewis of New Lexington, O., who cited as one cause she should be granted a divorce is that her husband made her carry and take care of his horses, was granted the horses as alimony.

Cleveland's record April heat wave caused the death of 15 babies, health department officials say.

The admiralty court announced its decision in the Empress of Ireland-Storstad collision in the St. Lawrence river May 29, 1914, holding the collier responsible for the accident. More than 1,000 lives were lost in the collision.

Two roomers have not been located in a fire in Louis Goldman's rooming house at St. Paul, Minn.

A determined but futile fight in the assembly on the bill designed to raise the cost of liquor business one-fourth throughout New York state delayed adjournment of the legislature for a day. The measure was passed, 82 to 48.

The consolidation of the Merchants' National bank and the Illinois State bank has been announced at Peoria. The new bank will be known as the Merchants and Illinois National bank.

Six hundred acres of wheat have been destroyed by crickets in the Wilson Creek section of Grant county, Wash.

Among the 59 passengers on the steamship City of Tampico, which arrived at Galveston from Vera Cruz and Tampico, was Phil E. McCleary, the American newspaper man recently sentenced to death by Carranza.

Frederick W. Seward, who was the last survivor of those who took an active part in the event of April 14, 1865, when President Lincoln was shot at Ford's theater by John Wilkes Booth, is dead at Auburn, N. Y.

Capt. Geddes, once prominent on the Chicago Board of Trade, and recently in command of a company of Canadian troops in France, was killed in action in the course of recent fighting.

If Italy enters the war she will be confronted right from the outset by first-line German troops. Reliable advices say that the Trentino authorities already have prepared quarters for 5,000 German troops now en route.

An average price of \$250 was received for 90 pure-bred Shorthorn cattle from farms of Missouri and Kansas at the annual sale of the Central Shorthorn Breeders' association in Kansas City.

John Argo, 16, of Wapella, Ill., committed suicide with a revolver while despondent over ill health.

The lower house of the Florida legislature rejected a resolution to submit an equal suffrage amendment to the voters in 1916.

IN SEASON

And we have big stocks and
and a fine assortment to select from....

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Heart to Heart Talks

By CHARLES N. LURIE

AMERICAN SELF DEPENDENCE.

Nowadays, when so many Americans are talking about hard times and they and others are experiencing the pinch of the conditions brought about by the great European war, it is interesting to read the advice given by Thomas Jefferson many years ago.

He said:
"It is part of the American character to consider nothing as desperate. We are required to invent and execute, to find means within ourselves, not lean on others."

While Europeans do their best to bring destruction and ruin down on others and in the deluged despair themselves, Americans should remain "on the job." Loss is inevitable. Foreign trade amounting to \$3,000,000,000 a year cannot be checked without loss and suffering, but American mill wheels may be kept turning, mine galleries may be dug out and crops may be sowed and planted to supply the American demand alone. Of all the great nations of the world America is the only one that is not at war. Whatever the fortunes of the conflict in Europe, our 100,000,000 men have food and clothing and shelter. Get busy, busy! Keep busy!

There is much gratification in the fact that the war in Europe cannot cripple the United States, no matter how long it may continue. Other nations will bury in the graves of their brave men their hopes for decades, perhaps for centuries. Loss is inevitable to every country that has put an armed man in the field or has sent out a war ship filled with guns and ammunition.

In reality, the guns are aimed almost as much at their owners as they are against the owners' foes.

But no nuzzles, save only those of our own uncertainty and cowardice, have been aimed at the heart of our great country. Our fields are just as brown and fertile as ever, our manufactories just as well furnished to turn out goods, our mines just as well worked. Our men march in the ranks of industry, not of battle.

It is the duty of every one to do nothing to check that march. Keep in step yourself and help others to do so.

Talk prosperity, not adversity. Keep your long faces for the sorrows of our European friends and turn only a smiling countenance toward our beloved America.

LOVE'S PHILOSOPHY.

The fountains mingle with the river,
And the rivers with the ocean,
The winds of heaven mix for ever

With a sweet emotion;
Nothing in the world is single;
All things by a law divine
In one another's being mingle—
Why not I with thine?

See the mountains kiss high heaven,
And the waves clasp one another;
No sister flower would be forgiven
If it disdained its brother;
And the sunlight clasps the earth,
And the moonbeams kiss the sea;
What are all these kisses worth
If thou kiss not me?
—Shelley.

FORTY-NINE.

WE have worked our claims.
We have spent our gold.
Our bars are a strand on the bars;
We are battered and old,
Yet at night we behold
Outcroppings of gold in the stars.

WHERE the rabbits play,
Where the quail all day
Pipe on the chapparral hill;
A few more days
And the last of us lay
He picks aside and is still.

WE are wreck and stray,
We are cast away.
Poor battered old hulks and spars,
But we hope and pray
On the judgment day
We shall strike it up in the stars.

THOUGH battered and old
Our hearts are bold;
Yet oft do we repine
For the days of old,
For the days of gold,
For the days of forty-nine.
—Joquin Miller.

JOHN ANDERSON.

JOHN ANDERSON, my Jo, John,
When we were first acquaint
Your locks were like the raven,
Your bonnie brow was bent,
But now your brow is bald, John,
Your locks are like the snow,
But blessings on your frosty pow,
John Anderson, my Jo.

John Anderson, my Jo, John,
We clamb the hill together,
And merrily a canty day,
We've had wi' aye another.
Now we mairn aften do, John,
But hard in hand we'll go,
And sleep together at the foot,
John Anderson, my Jo.
—Robert Burns.

IN WINTER.

IF it would only snow,
A-riding I should go
On my new yellow sled,
I'd build an ancient fort,
And a snow man fat and short,
With a coal for an eye,
And a broom and a tie,
And a storepipe on his head.
—Selected.